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SUBJ: CSCE/CBMS'S NORWEGIAN NOTIFICATION OF EXERCISE

"BATTEN BOLT 75"

REFS: (A) STATE 215267 (B) USNATO 4885

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED NORWEGIAN NOTIFICATION OF EXERCISE "BATTEN BOLT 75" WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY DIVISION CHIEF FOR NATO AND SECURITY AFFAIRS FREIHOW IN ACCORDANCE INSTRUCTIONS REF A. ON QUESTION OF SUGGESTED CLARIFICATION, FOREIGN MINISTRY IS INSTRUCTING NORWEGIAN MISSION NATO TO ADD WORD "TROOPS" AFTER NUMBER 8,000.

2. WE RAISED POINT OF UNLIKELY RECIPROCAL ACTION FROM WARSAW PACT, ON VOLUNTARY BASIS, FOR MANEUVERS BELOW 10,000 PARTICIPANT RANGE. FREIHOW POINTED OUT THAT  
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MANEUVERS IN NORWAY ARE ALWAYS "SMALL" BY

VIRTUE OF MODEST SIZE OF NORWEGIAN ARMED FORCES AND  
REITERATED PREVIOUS NORWEGIAN CONCERN WITH  
VOLUNTARY ASPECT OF CBM'S AND HOPE THAT CSCE/CBM  
DOCUMENT WOULD BE FULLY LIVED UP TO.

3. NORWEGIANS PLAN TO MAKE ORAL STATEMENT AT TIME OF  
FORMAL PRESENTATION OF NOTIFICATION OF EXERCISE  
"BATTEN BOLT 75" STRESSING IMPORTANCE NORWAY ATTACHES  
TO VOLUNTARY NOTIFICATION OF SMALLER MANEUVERS AND  
EXPRESSING SINCERE HOPE THAT THIS NORWEGIAN INITIATIVE  
WILL LEAD TO RECIPROCAL PRACTICES BY ALL CSCE SIGNATORIES.  
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